### **Data Sheet**

USAID Mission: Jamaica

Program Title: Education

Pillar: Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade

Strategic Objective: 532-x12
Proposed FY 2004 Obligation: \$0
Prior Year Unobligated: \$0

Proposed FY 2005 Obligation: \$4,561,000 DA

Year of Initial Obligation: FY 2005
Year of Final Obligation: FY 2009

**Summary:** The strategic objective will build on the experience and success in basic education under USAID's current program. However, this new program will adopt a slightly broader approach and emphasize community partnerships and linkages, and synergies with other strategy interventions, such as promoting healthy behaviors in support of the Healthy Lifestyles objective.

## Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

### FY 2004 Program:

No activities will be carried out under this program in FY 2004. The program will begin in FY 2005.

### FY 2005 Program:

Improved quality of teaching in poor performing schools (\$1,961,230 DA). USAID will support efforts that focus on improved literacy and numeracy among students in poor performing primary schools and upgraded secondary schools. USAID will fund training of teachers, curriculum development, and the introduction of tools to diagnose learning disabilities. Potential partners, institutional contractors or grantees will include public primary schools, upgraded secondary schools, and selected units in the Ministry of Education, Youth and Culture, as well as select private sectors not yet identified.

Improved quality of teaching for at-risk and out-of-school youth (\$957,810 DA). USAID will address the educational needs of at-risk youth by supporting initiatives which focus on problem areas such as teacher preparation, professional support for literacy, language arts skills; adequate resource materials, and parental and community involvement. USAID-funded programs will help to stem the increasing numbers of youth entering into a life of crime and violence. Potential partners, contractors, or grantees will include local NGOs, public secondary schools, and selected units in the Ministry of Education, Youth and Culture.

Improved management of schools (\$501,710 DA). USAID will complement the efforts to improve the management of schools through training of parents and school boards in effective management techniques, and revitalizing parent-teacher associations. Potential partners, contractors, and grantees will include the National Council on Education, as well as selected units in the Ministry of Education, Youth and Culture.

Strengthened community partnerships (\$1,140,250 DA). In order to leverage private-sector support for education in Jamaica, USAID will help to secure community support, corporate school sponsorship, and private-sector involvement in improving educational quality. These initiatives will encourage private-sector partners to make financial and in-kind contributions which will increase the impact and sustainability of USAID's educational development efforts. Potential partners, contractors, or grantees will include selected local private-sector organizations and selected units in the Ministry of Education, Youth and Culture.

Performance and Results: At the end of the strategy period, tangible improvements will have been demonstrated through more equitable access to educational opportunities and improved academic

achievement for all Jamaican children, leading to a sustainable increase in literacy and numeracy rates, as well as a reduction in poverty. Better educated children will ultimately result in a more prepared workforce that meets Jamaica's human capacity needs as it strives to participate actively in the global economy.

# **US Financing in Thousands of Dollars**

Jamaica

532-x12 Education	DA
Through September 30, 2002	
Obligations	0
Expenditures	0
Unliquidated	0
Fiscal Year 2003	
Obligations	0
Expenditures	0
Through September 30, 2003	
Obligations	0
Expenditures	0
Unliquidated	0
Prior Year Unobligated Funds	
Obligations	0
Planned Fiscal Year 2004 NOA	
Obligations	0
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2004	
Obligations	0
Proposed Fiscal Year 2005 NOA	
Obligations	4,561
Future Obligations	23,800
Est. Total Cost	28,361
Future Obligations	23